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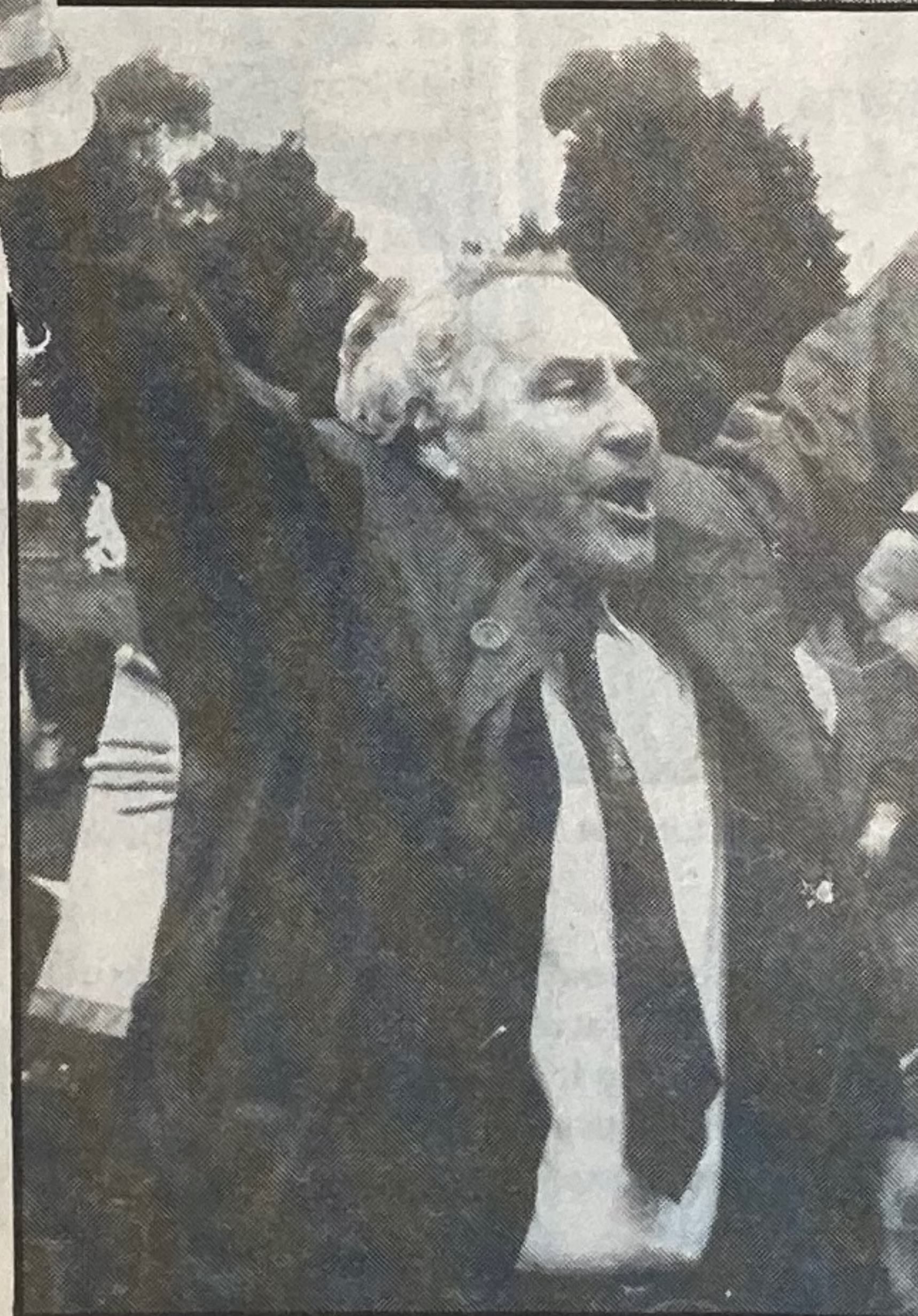
REILLY ROLLED

AND IT'S BYE BYE JUVE



● Goalscorers Zoran Tasevski is swamped by his happy team mates.

- TOP RIGHT: Downcast ... Manfred Schaefer
- BOTTOM RIGHT: Jubilant ... Andon Donceviski



THE Australian Soccer Federation elected a new head last Friday to replace the retiring Sir Arthur George and, in what could only be described as a boilover, the job went to neither of the favourites, Jack Reilly of Victoria and John Constantine of New South Wales, but to so-called outsider, Ian Brusasco of Queensland.

With Charlie Perkins refraining from standing, there was a three-way ballot, in which Constantine came last.

With Constantine's elimination, Reilly seemed certain to win, but it appears that after their man was defeated, New South Wales' distrust of Victoria caused them to back Brusasco.

Seventeen delegates from all Australian states voted, three from Victoria, and New South Wales, two each from South Australia, West Australia, Queensland, Tasmania and Northern New South Wales and one from the ACT.

Reilly missed election by one vote, nine votes to eight, with the NSW delegates giving their three votes to Brusasco.

Aged 59, Brisbane-based Brusasco is a director of several companies and also president of the Queensland Soccer Federation.

In choosing him for the new position of chairman, the delegates have clearly turned their backs on progress, for Brusasco has been around in soccer longer even than Sir Arthur George himself.

It is doubtful now if the new format of a chairman and four members to take charge of every aspect of Australian soccer will ever come about, since the states have sent a clear signal that they don't intend to surrender any power, and they will be looking to Brusasco to maintain the status quo.

The ACT's Charlie Perkins was elected senior vice-chairman and NSL chairman Sam Papasavas junior vice-chairman.

JUVENTUS' gallant fight to prolong its five-year stint in the NSL ended on Sunday when it was thrashed 4-0 by

Preston Makedonia.

In a torrid match at the Olympic Village that was refereed superbly by Chris Bambridge, Juventus proved no match for a

super-charged Preston which had winners all over the ground.

Juventus and Socceroo midfielder Mike Petersen got his marching orders in the 40th minute after a bad

tackle on George Petrov and he was followed in the 80th minute by Steve Jackson who had tripped Joe Palatsides.

It was an action-packed penultimate round, with

places in the final five at stake for at least five clubs and four other players, John Campelj of George Cross and Rade Barjaktarevic of Footscray in the Schintler Reserve clash, and Alan

Davidson of Melbourne Croatia and Russell Stewart of Lions all took early showers.

South Melbourne made sure of the double chance by beating leader Wollongong

at Middle Park, and Sunshine George Cross, with a game in hand, has an excellent chance of overhauling Sydney Olympic to snatch fifth place.

SNIPPETS

By LES SHORROCK

SBS GETS THREE WORLD CUP FINAL RIGHTS... REILLY GETS ROLLED
Which do you want first... the good news or the bad news?

I'll give you the good news.

SBS TV's successful bid to televise the next three World Cup Finals, is a wonderful scoop, not only for the station, but for soccer followers generally. Even if SBS eventually goes commercial, as seems inevitable, its coverage will still be infinitely preferential to watch to say Channel Two which has no interest in soccer and shows it.

And we might get the additional bonus of Australia being granted the 1998 Finals series.

So much for the good news.

The bad news is the way that Jack Reilly was shafted at the ASF election last Friday.

The cynical way in which NSW cast its votes in favour of Brusasco to keep Victoria out of power made a mockery of all the expressed intentions to wipe the slate clean and overhaul the structure.

States rights won out over soccer on an infamous day that set back soccer another twenty years.

The 59 year old Brisbane alderman has been a soccer administrator longer even than Sir Arthur George.

He represents the sort of people we were hoping to get rid of, along with Sir Arthur... the old guard who have held us back, mismanaged just about everything and landed the ASF in debt up to its ears.

It is going to be interesting now to see who the fourth and fifth members of the new five-man committee will be.

The first three members are Ian Brusasco of course as chairman, senior vice-chairman Charlie Perkins and junior vice-chairman Sam Pappasavas.

Logically, the other two members should be Jack Reilly and John Constantine, but after what happened last Friday, would that work out?

BURY'S PRODIGAL SON RETURNS
They'll be killing the



● Greg Mills



● Stephan Jee



● Steve Horvat



● John Gibson



● Dominic Longo



● Shaun Murphy

fatted calf in Bury next week when the news gets out that Caulfield City club stalwart, and Mick Hucknall look-alike, Dave Brooks is off to England next week, to "spend some time with his folks" as he puts it.

Dave comes from Bury, which is near to Manchester, or as Bury folk would have it, Manchester is near to Bury.

He played for Bury, before he came to Australia to play for Ringwood City and then Box Hill and for the last couple of years he has been a tower of strength at Caulfield, where all the younger Reserve players idolise him.

He tells me he wants all his many friends, creditors, debtors, what have you, to join him at the Ritz in Fitzroy Street, St Kilda, between 7.30 and midnight for a farewell bash, this Saturday.



● Greg Dickinson



● John Markovski

But before that, you'll see him on the Red Faces segment of Hey, Hey It's Saturday together with all the other Caulfield Simply Reds.

Melbourne won't be the same with Brooks gone, and what's Joe Carroll going to do?

NATIONAL YOUTH TEAM INDONESIA-BOUND

The Australian national youth team left yesterday to take part in a special invitation tournament in Indonesia.

Whilst there the 18-man squad will play at least four games in a five-team series that includes, Indonesia, China, Malaysia and Thailand. Only four members of



● VSF Chairman Jack Reilly... can he and Constantine work together now?



● Les Scheinflug



● George Slifkas



● Dave Brooks in his Ringwood days... before he was "thatched"

the team, John Markovski of George Cross, George Slifkas of Preston, Zoran

Ilic of St George and Steve Georgakis play in the NSL, the remaining

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FALCONS HUNT FOR GLORY

Morwell ready to take on the best

BRUNSWICK Juventus, soon to be officially relegated from the West End National League, will undoubtedly be a warm favorite to rise like the fabled phoenix from the ashes of a disastrous season and make it back to the top after one year in the State League.

But it may not find it easy. The Falcons, the ones from Morwell, are going hunting for glory next season. In the words of president Don di Fabrizio: "We're ready now."

Morwell is one of the few clubs in Victoria which has no money problems despite a modest support. It makes the best use of its social facilities, which, by the way, are the best in Victoria.

And the careful use of funds this season has set the club up for a big effort next season.

"The money has always been there for our coach (Bobby McLachlan) to spend on players, but he didn't use it," a somewhat surprised di Fabrizio said.

"I kept at him asking if we needed players and he kept saying 'no'. It's unusual for a coach to turn down money to buy players, but we have probably benefitted from it."

"We have a very good spirit at the club and we all feel that we are in a position to make a strong bid for a place in the National League next year."

"Obviously we will need to strengthen the squad, but that's up to Bobby."

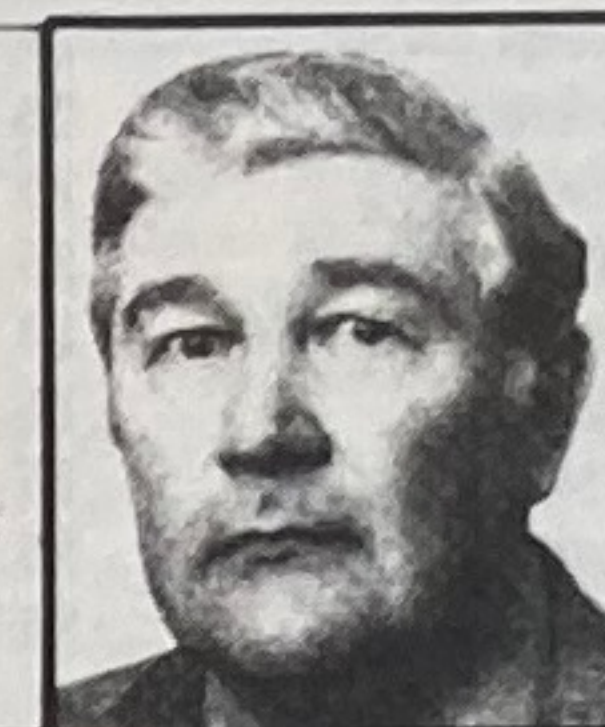
"But we are financially stable, so we will not be going into something we can't afford."

"I think it would be a good thing for the soccer fans in the valley. The club owes it to them to make the effort to get into the top competition."

Don di Fabrizio is one of the most reasonable soccer administrators I have met. To begin with he knows how to delegate authority and never interferes with the jobs of others.

"Actually, the club is running very smoothly these days. I don't really do very much at all. That's one of the reasons I feel we are ready for the NSL," he said.

By
**BOB
BRIAN**
of the
**Melbourne
Herald**



Of course, getting there won't be easy with Juventus determined to make a quick return and only one club eligible for the promotion play-offs against Queensland and South Australia.

And there are very strong rumors that West Australia will make a bid next year and it, also, has plenty of financial backing.

Not surprisingly, McLachlan is keen to have another crack at the big time. He first tried it with Footscray, but quit after a year. Now he, also is ready.

"It would give the game in the valley a huge boost if we were to get into the NSL," he said. "There is tremendous potential here. That's one of the things that attracted me to the club in the first place."

"It reminds me a lot of Green Gully when Guy Spiteri and Arnold Langer were running the club."

"They always had the best interests of the club at heart and had a terrific committee working with them. It's amazing what can be accomplished when everyone works together."

"That's what it's like here. Everyone bends over backwards to help."

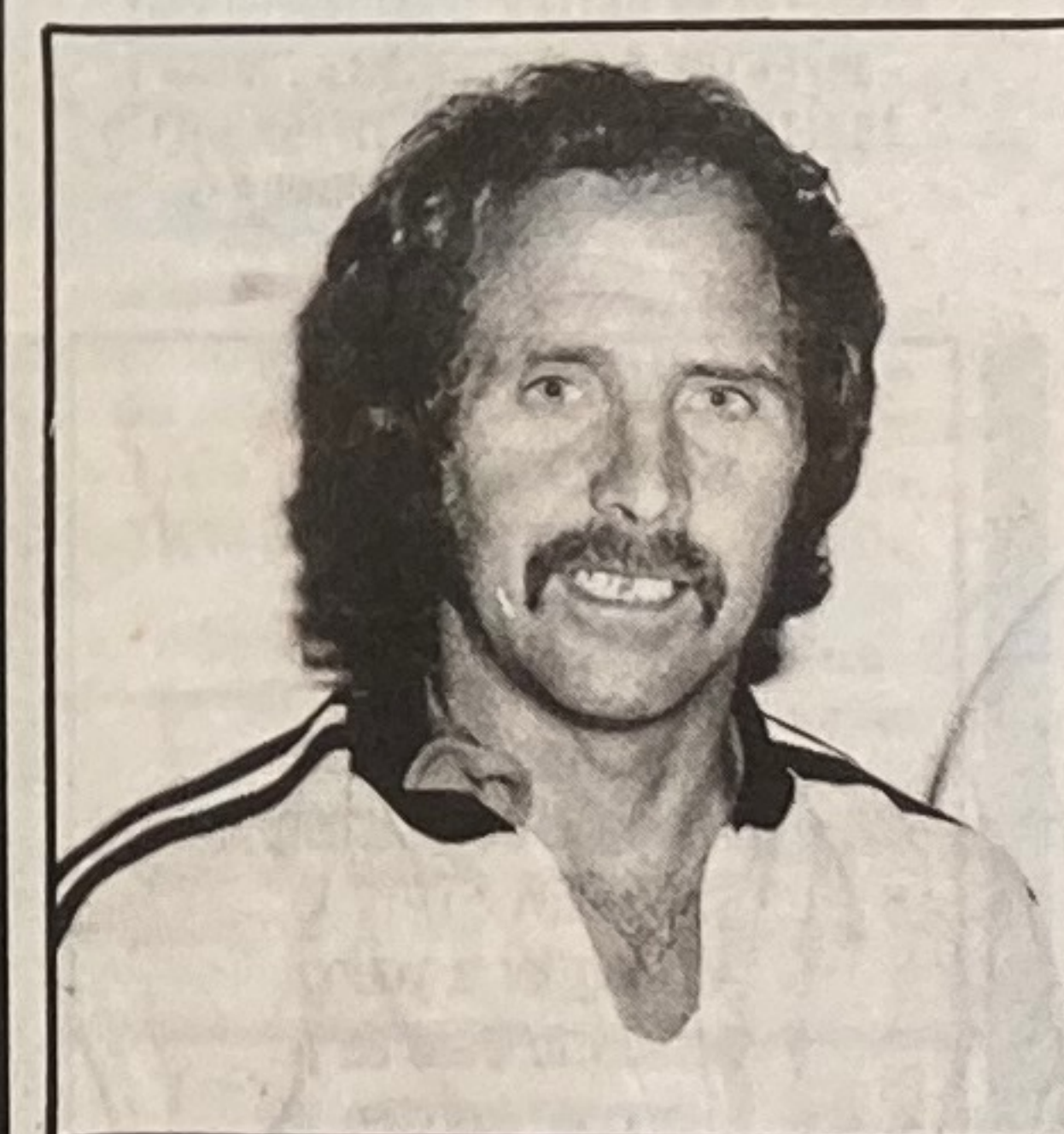
There is a story which epitomises the kind of club spirit di Fabrizio and McLachlan speak of.

It concerns Andy McMillan, who recently left for Europe for job training and a holiday in his native Scotland.

Just before he left he asked to speak to di Fabrizio. McMillan presented the president with a cheque to cover the signing-on fee he received at the start of the season saying he felt he wouldn't have earned it by going away.

Di Fabrizio refused to accept the cheque and was given the full backing of his committee.

I cannot imagine too many clubs being that generous.



● Bobby McLachlan... keen for another crack at the big time.



● This year's line-up — Back Row: Andrew Halkett, Dave Reynolds, Emil Bruns, Gerry Clarke, Gerry Benett, Manny Gotis, Ian Stirton, John Sokoluk. Front Row: Elfie Cassar, Jim Doyle, John O'Callaghan, Stan Webster, Ken Drakeford, Jeff Doyle... "We have a very good spirit at the club."



● Bobby McLachlan makes a point to president Don di Fabrizio... "I kept asking if we needed players and he said 'no'."

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NATIONAL LEAGUE ROUND-UP

ROUND TWENTY-THREE DETAILS

SOUTH MELBOURNE 1 (Trimboli 10th) SYDNEY CROATIA 0
At Olympic Park, Wednesday, Referee C. Bambridge. Cautions C. Foster, Slater (Syd Cro).
SOUTH MELBOURNE: McLaren — Anezakis, Fernandes, Blair, Postecoglou — Wade, Healy, Tasios, Kalogeros (Micheil 52nd) — Wright, Trimboli. Coach Brian Garvey.
SYDNEY CROATIA: Woodhouse — Savor, Hunter, Foster, Jennings — Clinch, Jones, Arnold, Rezo — Slater, Krislovic (Ingham 59th). Coach Vedran Rozic.

ROUND TWENTY-FIVE DETAILS

SOUTH MELBOURNE 2 (Tasios 67th, Wade 70th) WOLLONGONG (Ainsworth 45th) at Middle Park, Sunday, Crowd 4830. Referee.

SOUTH MELBOURNE: McLaren — Anezakis, Fernandez, Blair, Postecoglou — Healy (inj. Micheil 77th), Wade, Tasios, Kalogeros — Wright (Foster 65th), Trimboli. Coach Brian Garvey.
WOLLONGONG: Young — Morlando, Vlietstra, Ratcliffe, Hollifield — Brodnik, Sken, Ainsworth, Crainie — Easthorpe, Soper. Coach John Fleming.

SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS (Markovski 93rd) FOOTSCRAY 0
At Chaplin Reserve, Sunday, Crowd 1830. Referee Jim Rossis. Sent off Barjaktarevic (F), Campelj (G.X).
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS: Keogh — Marth, Waddell, Parton, Campelj (sent off 65th) — Carter, (Lennon 75th), McLaren, Faulkner, Markovski — Clark, Markovac. Coach John Gardiner.
FOOTSCRAY: Nikitovic — Barjaktarevic (sent off 94th) — Tubic, Fabrizio, Van Egmond, Karic — Murphy, Tapai, Bozinovski — Dimoski, Spink. Coach Mirsad Fazlagic.

BRISBANE LIONS 1 (Stewart 29th) ADELAIDE CITY 3 (Melta 48th, pen, 89th, Maxwell 61st)
At Richlands, Sunday Crowd 404. Referee R. Davies. Sent off Stewart (B.L.) Cautions Mc Skimming, Lightbown (B.L.), Santrac (Adcity).
BRISBANE LIONS: Kearton — McSkimming (Drury 65th), Lowey, Mengotti, Niven — Clarkson, Meredith, Ogden, Stewart (sent off) — Lightbown, Cole (Lonsdale 80th). Coach Frank Liddell.
ADELAIDE CITY: Zabica — Shillabeer, Nyskohus, Flounders, Northcote — Melta, Santrac, Vallani, Vidmar — Mullen, Maxwell. Coach Zoran Ratic.

APIA LEICHHARDT 3 (R. Brown 18th, De Marigny 85th, Phillips 93rd) MELBOURNE CROATIA 1 (Dunn 71st)
at Lambert Park, Sunday, Crowd 947, Referee A. Owens. Sent off Davidson (M.C.) Cautions De Marigny, Bundalo, Phillips (APIA), Dunn, Biskic, Grbac. White (M.C.)

APIA LEICHHARDT: Pezzano — De Marigny, Yankos, Bertogna, M. Brown — Bundalo (Watson 84th), Phillips, Zajmi, Tredinnick — R. Brown, McKinna. Coach Rale Rasic.

MELBOURNE CROATIA: Oliver — Heys, Dunn, Hannah, Davidson — Donnelly, Scott, Grbac, Biskic — White (Lewis 63rd, Caleta. Coach Ian Wallace.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 0 MARCONI 0
at ST. George Stadium, Sunday, Crowd 3999. Referee D. Voutsinas
SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Gosling — Barrett, Haniotis, Coady (Dakos HT), Hooker — Lee, Ironside, Polak, Phillips — Kosmina, Patalls. Coach Eddie Thompson.
MARCONI: Catlin — Carter, Wheatley, Calderan, Caligari — Gomez, Mason, McCulloch, Colucci (Gunning 85th) — Farina, De Jong (lowe 70th) Coach Berti Mariani.

BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS 0 PRESTON MAKEDONIA 4 (Stewart 29th, Tasevski 45th, Smith 67th, Stevenson 87th)
at Olmpic Village, Sunday, Crowd 6143, Referee C. Bambridge. Sent off Petersen (Juve), Jackson (P.M.) Caution Egan (Juve).
BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS: Laumets — Durakovic, Brown, McDowall, Yzendoorn, Incantalupo (Zinni HT) — Petersen, Patterson (Belic 76), Lane — Egan Palatsides. Coach Manfred Schaefer.
PRESTON MAKEDONIA: Traianides — Roodhouse, Jackson, Piculovski, Tasevski — Petrov (Gojevic 82nd), Campbell, Jolevski, Stewart — Smith, Stevenson (Opasini 92nd). Coach Andon Donceviski.

HOW THEY STAND

NSL LADDER

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SOUTH MELBOURNE	25	13	8	4	36	28	34
WOLLONGONG	25	13	7	5	43	31	33
SYDNEY CROATIA	25	15	3	7	37	29	33
MARCONI	25	11	8	6	43	25	30
SYDNEY OLYMPIC	25	9	8	8	27	21	26
George Cross	24	11	4	9	36	26	26
St George	25	10	5	10	41	35	25
Adelaide City	25	9	7	9	35	35	25
APIA Leichhardt	25	8	7	10	27	32	23
Melbourne Croatia	24	8	6	10	26	30	22
Footscray	25	6	9	10	32	32	21
Preston Makedonia	25	6	11	9	29	35	21
Brunswick Juventus	25	6	5	14	29	43	17
Brisbane Lions	25	4	4	17	28	57	12

Leading Goalscorers

16. Farina (Marc. 1 pen)
13. Spink (Footsc.)

11. Lewis (Mel. Cro 2 pens)
Maxwell (Adcity)
Palatsides (Juve 5 pens)

10. Arnold (Syd. Cro) Egan (Juve)
Nastevski (Marc)
Ollerenshaw (St.G)

9. Easthorpe (Woll) Lamond (Syd.Cro) Melta (6 pens)

8. Trimboli (South) 7. Dimoski (Footsc.) Kosmina (3 pens)

Phillips (APIA) Markovski (G.X.) Postecoglou (SM 3 pens)

Smith (P.M.) 6. Soper (Woll) Wright (S.M)

5. Brodnik (Woll) Crino (Footsc.) Gray (Marc)

Hagan (St.G) Meredith (Lions) Saad (Olymp) (2pens)

Tassios (South) Vidmar (Adcity) White (Mel.Cro)

4. Ainsworth (1pen) Brazil (Woll) Campbell (P.M)

Campelj (G.X) Clark (G.X) Crainie (Woll)

Fletcher (St.G) Koczka (St.G) Mullen (Adcity)

Stevenson (P.M) Slater (Syd.Cr) Stewart J (P.M)

Stewart R (Lions 3 pens) Villani (Adcity)

FIXTURES ROUND TWENTYSIX

PRESTON MAKEDONIA v CLARINDA
OAKLEIGH v GEORGE CROSS
FOOTSCRAY v HEIDELBERG
FOOTSCRAY v HEIDELBERG UNITED
CAULFIELD CITY v SOUTH MELBOURNE
CLIFTON HILL v WAV/MULGRAVE

YOUTH LEAGUE LADDER

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SOUTH MELBOURNE	22	16	5	1	60	19	37
B. JUVENTUS	19	14	4	1	69	14	32
GEORGE CROSS	19	13	2	4	71	20	28
MELB. CROATIA	22	11	4	7	53	40	26
PRESTON MAKEDONIA	22	11	1	10	54	50	23
Caulfield City	22	9	5	8	37	38	23
Clifton Hill	22	9	5	8	53	64	23
Oakleigh	22	8	4	10	41	58	20
Footscray	22	7	4	11	37	41	18
Nunawading City	22	7	4	11	39	54	18
Clarinda	21	6	1	14	39	65	13
Heidelberg	22	3	6	13	24	60	12
Wav/Mulgrave	22	2	1	19	25	83	5

YOUTH LEAGUE RESULTS

OAKLEIGH 1 NUNAWADING CITY 3
GEORGE CROSS 4 FOOTSCRAY 0
HEIDELBERG UNITED 1 CAULFIELD CITY 1
JUVENTUS 3 PRESTON MAKEDONIA 1
SOUTH MELBOURNE 5 CLIFTON HILL 0
WAV/MULGRAVE 3 CLARINDA 2

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ADELAIDE KEEPS UP SLIM HOPES

BRISBANE 1 (Stewart 29th) ADELAIDE 3 (Melta pen 48th, 89th, Maxwell 61st)

BRISBANE Lions midfielder Russell Stewart was sent-off as Adelaide City kept their slim semi-final hopes alive with a 3-1 win at Richlands.

Stewart was ordered off by Newcastle referee Rob Davies when he received his second caution for dissent in the 51st minute.

Caretaker player-coach Alan Niven, deputising for Frank Liddell who is overseas, said Stewart's send off cost Lions any hope of victory.

Lions, who will be relegated from the NSL, were leading 1-0 at half time thanks to a cleverly taken Stewart free kick in the 29th minute.

His shot curled around the wall and sneaked inside the post well out of reach of Adelaide City keeper Robert Zabica.

MAN OF THE MATCH
SERGIO MELTA

Adelaide City equalised three minutes after the break with a Sergio Melta penalty, a decision hotly disputed by Lions.

The referee ignored initial appeals for a penalty for a tackle on Charlie Villani and then waved play on despite Villani picking up the ball.

expecting the whistle to go.

In the panic that followed, Davies blew the whistle for a penalty for a seemingly harmless tackle by Bob McSkimming on Steve Maxwell.

"I thought the first tackle was a penalty. The second one definitely wasn't," Niven said.

During the game, Davies booked three other players' Lions' Bob McSkimming and Grant Lightbown and Adelaide City's Adrian Santrac.

Stewart, who after the match claimed he had only asked: "What was that for?" was sent off three minutes later and Lions looked a beaten side.

In the 61st minute fullback Paul Shillabeer made a strong run down the right and crossed to the far post where Joe Mullen angled a shot in front of the goal for Steve Maxwell to finish.

Melta put the result beyond doubt in the 89th minute when he finished off a move initiated by Villani.

With one round remaining Adelaide City must hope for a string of results in their favor to make the play-offs. "We have not given up," said coach Zoran Malic, "All we can do is win our last match and hope for the best."

SOUTH CLIMBS TO TOP

STH. MELB. 2 (Tasios 67th, Wade 70th) WOLLONGONG 1 (Ainsworth 45th)

SOUTH Melbourne climbed to the top of the ladder by beating Wollongong City 2-1 after a spirited fightback at Middle Park.

Wollongong which came to Melbourne as the league leader, led 1-0 at half time even though it was being outplayed by the more skilful South Melbourne.

With Paul Wade dominating the midfield and Paul Trimboli strong in attack, South Melbourne turned the tables in the second half.

While Wollongong offered its usual physical strength and disciplined

team effort, it could not match the greater speed and subtle skill of South Melbourne which had beaten Sydney Croatia 1-0 earlier in the week.

Wade had the first scoring attempt of the match, blasting the ball narrowly over the bar following a pass from Trimboli in the eight minute.

Jeff Ainsworth and David Sken of Wollongong and David Healy of South Melbourne were treated for early knocks before Danny Crainie burst away in a

team effort, it could not match the greater speed and subtle skill of South Melbourne which had beaten Sydney Croatia 1-0 earlier in the week.

PRESTON PUTS PAID TO JUVE

JUVENTUS 0, PRESTON MAKEDONIA 4 (J. Stewart 29th, Tasevski 45th, Smith 67th, Stevenson 87th)

PRESTON saved itself but doomed Brunswick is relegated from the national league after winning a bottom-of-the-table clash 4-0 at Olympic Village.

Preston's victory gave it 21 points and opened a four-point gap over Brunswick which cannot be breached in the remaining round.

Brunswick will join Brisbane Lions as the two relegated clubs, opening vacancies for the New

South Wales champion and the winner of the promotion play offs between the champions of Victorian South Australia and Queensland.

The turning point came when Juventus was reduced to 10 men soon after falling behind.

Preston took the lead in the 29th minute when Ron Campbell ran onto a through pass from Steve Smith, made ground and cut the ball inside for John Stewart to shoot the ball home from the left side of the box.

Seven minutes later referee Chris Bambridge brought out the red card to order Mike Petersen off the field following a late tackle on George Petrov.

With Juventus in dis-

MAN OF THE MATCH:
ZORAN ILIC

talented and courageous St George outfit would all but wreck Croatia's hopes for the top spot.

Young Zoran Ilic had scored one of the best goals of the season to put the Saints ahead after 72 minutes.

Ilic receiving the ball on the edge of the Croation penalty area on

Trimboli cut the ball back to midfielder Steve Tassios, who celebrated his 21st birthday by storming the equaliser.

Blair continued to threaten the goal with his aerial strength when he ventured forward but it was the high-flying Wade who scored the winner with a header following a Tassios cross in the 70th minute.

South Melbourne lost Healy who injured his right leg while falling awkwardly in the 77th minute. He was replaced by Harris Micheil.

Wollongong's last chance to grab a draw came five minutes from the end but a powerful header from Ray Vlietstra was saved by MacLaren.

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NSL REPORTS

GEORGE CROSS HOPES SOAR

GEORGE CROSS 1 (Markovski 93rd) FOOTSCRAY JUST 0

A GOAL in extra time by John Markovski sent George Cross hopes of a berth in the finals soaring as it beat Footscray 1-0 at Chaplin Reserve.

His goal came in the 93rd minute when he blasted a free kick through Footscray's defensive wall to bring his tally to seven for the season.

But Sunshine's finals prospects were dealt a cruel blow as John Campelj was sent off in the 62nd minute by referee Jim Rossis.

Markovski is also out of contention as he left with the national youth team on Monday to play in Indonesia.

MAN OF THE MATCH
JOHN MARKOVSKI

Coach John Gardiner was not unduly worried by the loss of the two players.

"It will mean reshuffling the team but I'll be bringing in players who have been in the first team this season," he said after the game.

Footscray entered the game with little to play for but its pride but fears that the team would offer little resistance proved unfounded.

After an even first half, Footscray opened up in the second term, using the width of the Chaplin Reserve pitch.

A series of wild tackles by both teams culminating in Campelj felling Ernie Tapai.

Tapai retaliated and while Campelj was sent off, the Footscray midfielder was lucky to get away with only a yellow card.

Footscray defender Rode Barjaktarevic, given the difficult task of shadowing Markovski, was sent off in the dying minutes of the game for a tackle on Markovski and along with Gary van Egmond and Tapai, faces suspension for this week's game against Brisbane Lions.

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"It's a steal" says Brian Brown



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IAN BRUSASCO: A MAN OF MANY PARTS

NEW ASF chairman Ian Brusasco is something of a media expert, having run ALP-owned Brisbane radio station 4QK for about eight years. During that time, he lifted it from the bottom to the top of the ratings among a listening audience of the 25-35 age group.

He also heads a company that has applied for a new FM radio station in Brisbane.

Brusasco said this week one of his first objectives was to talk with the sports chiefs of the 10 network about what they will do to market the Socceroos in the lead-up to the Olympic Games.

"The ratings for the Australian-Brazil Gold Cup final on the ABC were phenomenal and the 10 network has to realise that it will get even higher

ratings when Australia and Brazil clash again in the Olympics in Seoul," he said.

He added that due to the Socceroos' high profile, the 10 network should provide a comprehensive coverage of the Olympic soccer, rather than the piecemeal coverage given to the previous Olympic soccer tournaments.

Brusasco's elder son, Mark, 27, has represented Australia and Queensland. The former Brisbane City and Brisbane Lions striker now plays for Coalstars who hold third position in the Queensland State League. Younger son Timothy, 26, plays Rugby League.

Ian Brusasco, who has been on the ASF executive for 25 years, is head of ALP investment company Labor Holdings Pty Ltd which he ways controls "tens of millions of dollars". A qualified pharmaceutical chemist,

By
LAURIE SCHWAB
Of The
Age



Brusasco also owns a chain of pharmacies in Brisbane.

He said the ASF had not yet received from sports promotion firm Pascoe Nally the \$600,000 agreed fee to stage the Bicentennial Gold Cup, but that it was expected soon.

DAPERIS LIFTS WESTGATE
First Division club Westgate has surged spectacularly since Jim Daperis took over as coach eight games ago and now

it has been further strengthened by midfielder Milan Vlatkovic, 27, from Yugoslav Club Radnicki Birot.

Westgate's 6-0 victory over Richmond last Saturday extended the club's unbeaten run to seven successive games. Former Hellas striker Chris Andriotis has played his part, scoring seven goals in the six games since joining from Oakleigh.

Jim Daperis and his brother John both played for Hellas in the seventies, and Jim later was with Western Suburbs in the State League. He replaced Westgate's

previous coach, Rade Jovicic.

Westgate's top players include left winger Gus Alfonso, strikers Pedro Gasco and Tony Marchetti, midfielders Zoran Pasoski and Milorad Gelic and full back Emil Petrov.

Daperis faces his biggest test on Saturday — against league leader Albion Gate Vardar, which lost its first match of the season, 0-1 to Albion Turk Bucu last Sunday.

ANOTHER CLUB IN PERIL

Now that it is certain Juventus will be relegated from the National League, seven instead of six clubs will be relegated from the State League and there will be a flow-on effect down the divisions.

The seventh-last State League clubs suddenly in danger is Polonia, the

1987 State League champion.

But Polonia has one consolation — it has a game in hand, which could lift it above Ringwood-Wilhelmina on goal difference.

Croydon, which is one rung up, looks safe because it has three games in hand, but Morwell Falcons, on 21 points, is vulnerable with four rounds to go.

Bulleen, in fifth-last position on 18 points, has some chance of avoiding relegation because it has two games in hand but any of the others among the bottom six who had held some hopes of climbing out of the relegation zone, may as well forget it now.

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14 play either for NSW State League clubs or the AIS.

Considering that Victoria won this year's under-19 national championships, it is rather disappointing that only three players come from this State.

They are Markovski, Sifkas and Steve Horvat.

The squad is Anthony Giannasca, Peter Bennett, Steve Georgakis, Dominic Longo, Steve Horvat, Shaun Murphy, Zoran Ilic, George Sifkas, Zlatko Arambasic, Mark Brazzale, John Markovski, Gregor Mills.

Greg Dickinson, John Gibson, Stephane Jee, Milan Blagojevic, Peter Murray, John Filan and coach Les Scheinflug.

★★★

SUMMER SOCCER... THE DEBATE RAGES ON
Last week Laurie Schwab's column was devoted mainly to the benefits that would accrue from switching to a summer season, at least for the NSL.

Personally I'm firmly opposed to the idea, but since it is always desirable to hear both sides

of an argument I was perfectly happy to run Laurie's story.

But I have to take issue with him on one point.

It just isn't true that the game is played in the heat in Africa, it is played in the winter, and in both North and South Africa it's as cold in winter as it is in Melbourne, it just doesn't rain as much.

I should know, I played there... it's hard on the knees, though.

I wonder if anyone has thought of consulting the players, the referees and the rest of us who will be working when the people who dreamed it all up are away on their holidays?

REFEREE ASSAULTED

VICTORIAN referee Jim Fearn was assaulted at the weekend by a player he had just sent off whilst officiating in the Victorian League Division Two top-of-the-table clash between Sandringham and Doveton.

The referee, who was struck on the side of the head, has reported the matter to the police and it is expected that civil, as well as VSF, action will result.



And I just loved our new supremo Ian Brusasco's offering on the subject.

He thinks summer soccer for the NSL is a great idea because all the other soccer players in the country who don't play in the NSL will go along to watch the NSL matches.

Of course he's safe enough theorising away in Bananaland, they won't

have a National League club there next year to put the theory to the test, so he can't be proved wrong.

Did you notice Lions' gate this week, by the way?

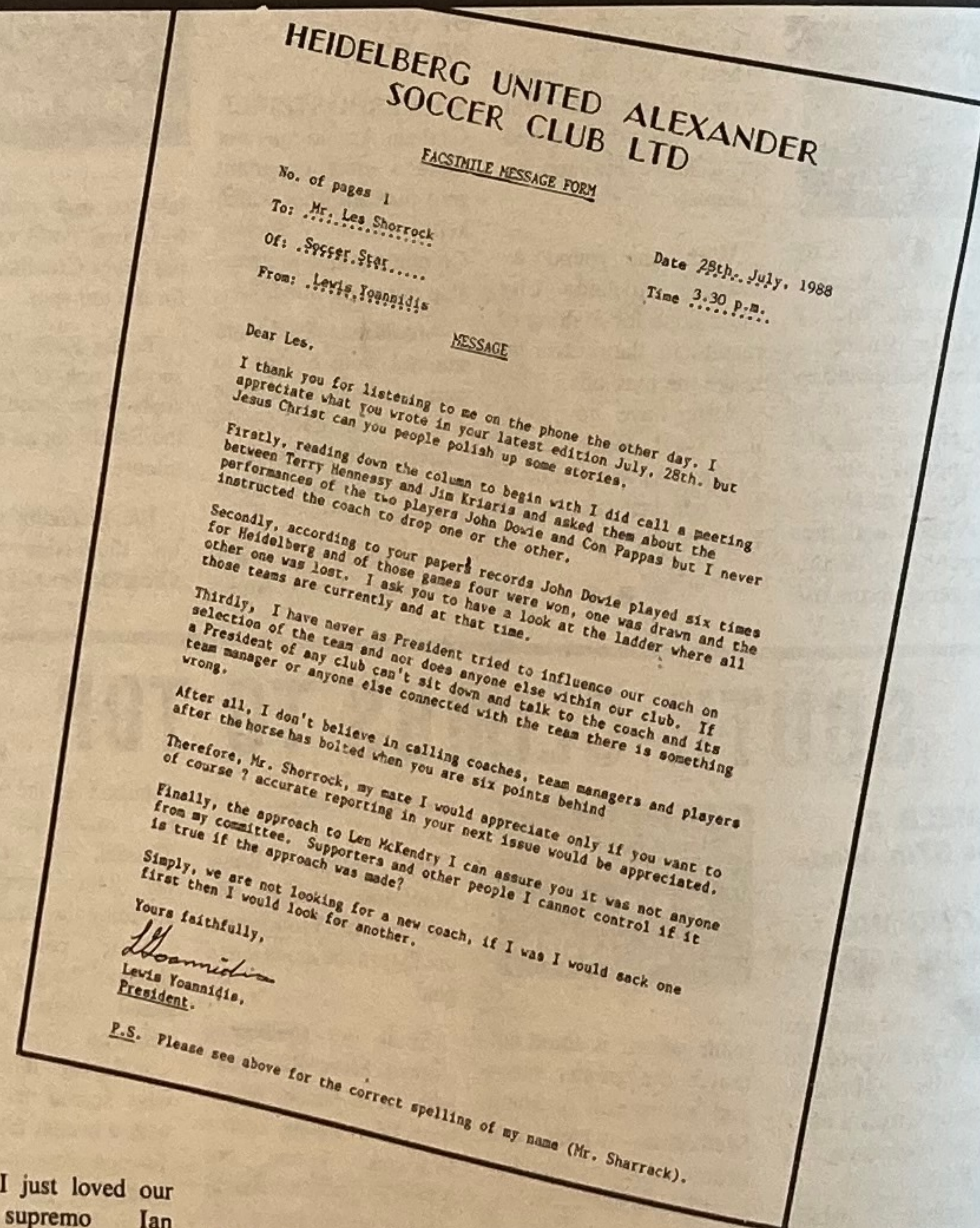
It was 404, of which 183 paid.

They must have had a whip-round to pay the ref.

HEIDELBERG PREZ STRIKES BACK
I'm in trouble again it seems, with Heidelberg president Lewis Yoannidis after my comments last week regarding John Dowie.

Although I thought I had reported our telephone conversation faithfully Lewis seems to think otherwise, so this week we are reproducing his fax to us in full.

I hope that by doing so I'll win his approval for "accurate reporting". However, I've just seen Brian James' column for this week and I fear the worst.



Soccer Star's



Action-Packed Picture Page



• Thanks for the lift says Steve Smith to John Yzendoorn.



• "Keep your mouth shut" says Joe Palatsides to Preston's George Joleviski.



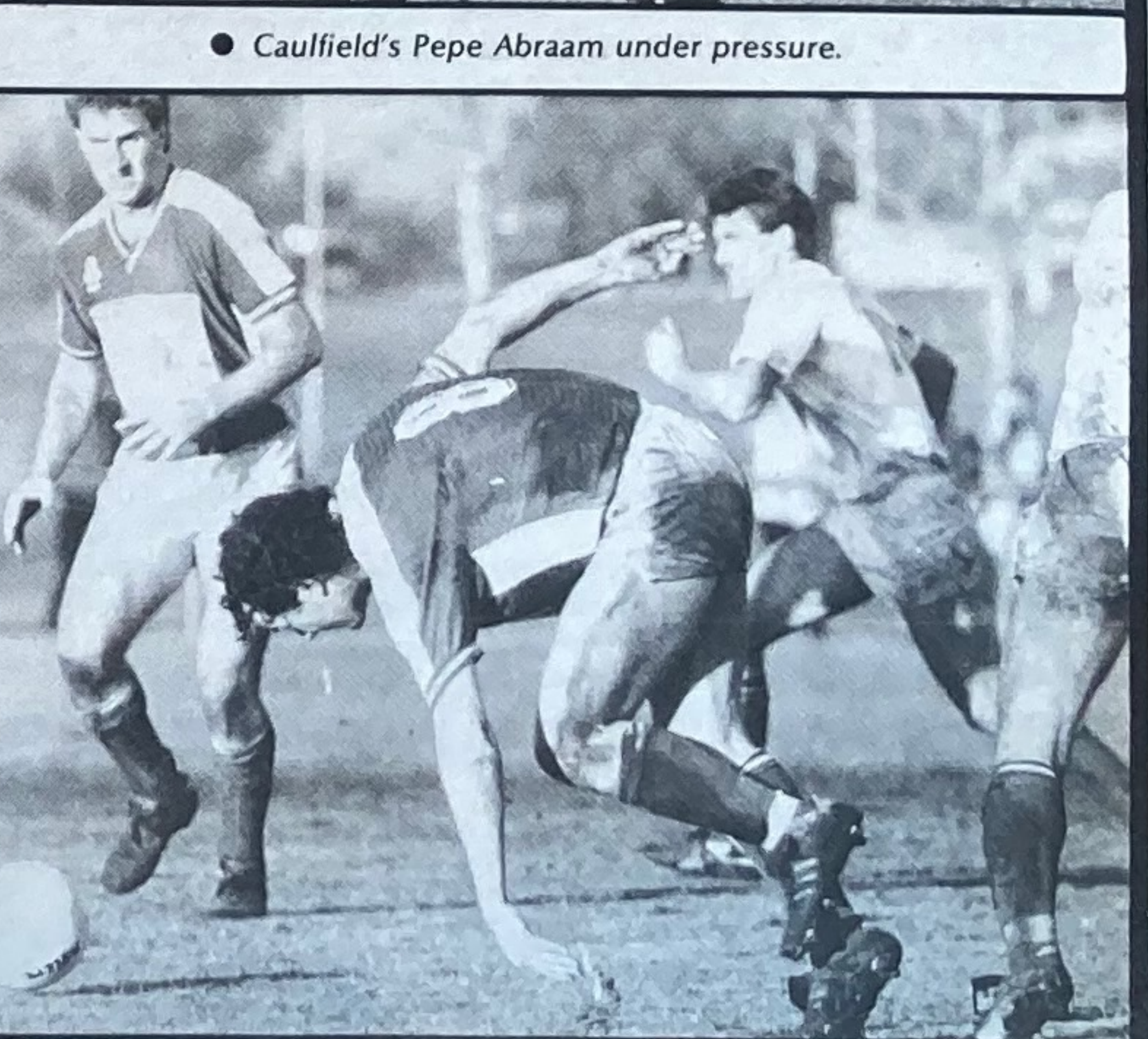
• It's action stations in the Juventus goalmouth



• Caulfield's Pepe Abraam under pressure.



• Richie Armstrong's under pressure here.



• Phil Griffin stoops to conquer.



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ROUND TWENTY-TWO DETAILS

CAULFIELD CITY 0 FAWKNER 1 (Hanna 86th)

At Princes Park, Saturday. Referee John Stojkovic.
CAULFIELD CITY: Madjer 6 — Bitsonis 7, Harris 8, Fattore 7, Filipou 7 — Theoharous 6, Griffin 8, Abraam 5 (Boutsianis 70th), Goutzioulis 7 — Armstrong 5 (Alagiozidis 50th), Zemunik 5. Coach Jim Condilis.
FAWKNER: Wilson 7 — Walsh 7, Schipano 6, Ferla 6, Hennessy 8, Minichiello 6 — Cullen 8, Fraser 6, Stenson 7 — Hanna 6, Tuffield 6. Coach Frank McAleer.
Ansett best player award: Hennessy (F) 3, Griffin (C) 2, Harris (C) 1.

MORWELL FALCONS 0 HEIDELBERG UNITED 1 (Raynes 60th)

At North Crinigan Reserve, Saturday. Referee Z. Mnich. Cautions Bennett, Clarke (M.F.), Raynes (H).
MORWELL FALCONS: Reynolds 8 — Bennett 9, Bruns 8, Clarke 8, Bingham 8 — Doyle 8, Drakeford 9, Cassar 8, Sturtin 8 — Webster 8, Sokoluk 8. Coach Bobby McLachlan.
HEIDELBERG UNITED: Banovic 9 — Kanesoulis 8, Ousalkas 8, Patiniotis 8, Bordignon 8 — Lucchesi 8, Valentine 8, Dowie 8, Raynes 9 — Stubbins 8 (Theodosopoulos 55th), Morovic 8. Coach Terry Hennessy.
Ansett best player award: Raynes (H) 3, Bennett (M.F) 2, Drakeford (M.F) 1.

ST ALBANS 1 (Kupresak 25th) RINGWOOD CITY 0

At Churchill Reserve, Saturday. Referee D. Vousinas. Cautions McGuire (R), Duzel, Macan (St.A).
ST ALBANS: Grgic 8 — Dragovic 8, Gagula 7, Colina 7, Macan 7 — Kupresak 8, Duzel 7, Macasevic 6, Susnjara 7 — Kelic 6, Popovski 6 (Rastocic 80th). Coach Tony Vrzina.
RINGWOOD CITY: Janssen 6 — Meyer 6, May 7, Wemyss 7, Verniers 7 — Nolan 6, Corvan 7, McGuire 8, Kennedy 6 — Cocker 7, Nijholt 6. Coach Hans Petersen.
Ansett best player award: Kupresak (St.A) 3, Grgic (St.A) 2, McGuire (R) 1.

WESTERN SUBURBS 2 (Tuck 30th, Daley 85th) OAKLEIGH (Livingstone 25th)

At Ralph Reserve, Sunday. Referee B. Upjohn. Cautions Pender, Western Suburbs: Tachiris 7 — Kountouris 8, Hamill 8, Pender 6, Esposito 6 — Williams 9, Kopsaftis 6 (Markovski 85th), Metaxas 8, Dimovski 6 (Kagioglou 80th) — Tuck 9, Daley 8. Coach Kaz Kulak.
OAKLEIGH: Kardamitsis 6 — M. Gavardinas 7, Henderson 6, Grutzmacher 7, Nicolaidis 7 — Ross 6, Livingstone 9, Halford 8, Zagoudis 5 (Stamatis 55th) — Murphy 5, Ward 7 (Gavardinas 75th). Coach Takis Sviggos.
Ansett best player award: Livingstone (O) 3, Tuck (W.S) 2, Williams (W.S) 1.

THOMASTOWN 1 (Lewis 72nd) BOX HILL 1 (McBride 68th)

At Partridge Reserve, Sunday. Referee N. Zachariadis. Cautions Burton (B.H), Cristaldo (T).
THOMASTOWN: Janakievski 7 — Mihailidis 8, Pianalto 7, Higgins 8, McMillan 8 — Cristaldo 7, Carfora 7 (Raguso 77th), Di Martino 8, Rogers 7 — Athersych 7, Lewis 7. Coach Bill Murray.
BOX HILL: McKinlay 7 — Martinucci 7, Davidson 8, Hanley 7, Roodhouse 8 — Campbell 7 (McAleer 64th), Burton 7, Brimmer 7, Thomas 7 — McBride 9, Aretis 8. Coach John Brown.
Ansett best player award: McBride (B.H) 3, Higgins (T) 2, Roodhouse (B.H) 1.

SPRINGVALE CITY 0 NORTHCOTE CITY 2 (Bekiaris 57th, P. Constantinou 70th)

At Ross Reserve, Sunday. Referee R. Simonis. Cautions Manou (N), Findlay (S).
SPRINGVALE CITY: Mur 6 — Reilly 6, Bryden 7, Bozic 5 (Kral 84th), Whyte 7 — Findlay 5, Keenan 8, Bell 7, Richardson 5 (Bothwell 74th) — Verechia 5, Morrey 5. Coach Gus MacLeod.
NORTHCOTE CITY: Turudia 7 — Leonardos 7, Palmaricciotti 7, J. Constantinou 8, N. Constantinou 7 — Tsangos 6, Bekiaris 8, Manou 8, P. Constantinou 8 — Gymnopoulos 9, Gilder 7. Caretaker coach Carl Gilder.
Ansett best player award: Gymnopoulos (N) 3, Keenan (S) 2, Manou (N) 1.

Games postponed, grounds unfit.
BULLEEN v GREEN GULLY, CROYDON CITY v MARIBYRNONG.

PACIFIC TIMBER STATE LEAGUE LADDER

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
HEIDELBERG	21	12	4	5	39	22	28
ST. ALBANS	21	10	7	4	31	20	27
THOMASTOWN	22	11	5	6	29	22	27
CAULFIELD CITY	22	9	8	5	32	25	26
Green Gully	20	8	8	4	27	17	24
Northcote City	21	9	6	6	29	22	24
Morwell Falcons	22	6	9	7	19	19	21
Croydon City	19	8	5	6	22	23	21
Ringwood City	22	8	5	9	30	34	21
Maribyrnong	21	7	5	9	32	31	19
Bulleen	20	6	6	8	17	25	18
Box Hill	22	4	10	8	26	32	18
Springvale City	22	5	8	9	20	30	18
Western Suburbs	22	8	2	12	27	37	18
Oakleigh	22	5	5	12	19	30	15
Fawkner	21	5	5	11	14	25	15

STATE LEAGUE RESERVES RESULTS

MORWELL FALCONS 2 HEIDELBERG UNITED 2
ST. ALBANS 1 RINGWOOD CITY 4
SPRINGVALE CITY 0 NORTHCOTE CITY 3
THOMASTOWN 2 BOX HILL 0
WESTERN SUBURBS 4 OAKLEIGH 0
CAULFIELD CITY 2 FAWKNER 5

STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Northcote City	21	14	6	1	53	19	34
Fawkner	21	14	2	5	58	29	30
Heidelberg	21	10	5	6	50	38	25
Morwell Falcons	22	10	5	7	40	28	24
St. Albans	21	10	5	6	36	36	25
Bulleen	20	9	6	5	47	32	24
Cauffield City	21	10	4	7	48	35	24
Box Hill	22	10	4	8	44	34	24
Ringwood City	21	9	6	6	47	42	24
Green Gully	21	10	2	9	45	42	22
Thomastown	20	6	5	9	42	53	19
Croydon City	19	7	4	8	37	29	18
Western Suburbs	21	6	3	12	26	58	15
Maribyrnong	21	6	1	14	35	58	13
Springvale City	21	3	3	15	23	49	9
Oakleigh	19	1	1	17	23	68	3

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30. Harris (Caul)	Hantzilazarou (West)
28. Roodhouse (B.H)	Reynolds (M.F)
25. Duzel (St.A)	Theoharous (Caul)
18. Webster (M.F)	Verechia (S/vale)
Woodall (North)	7. Bell (S/vale)
17. Contini (Bull)	Bonk (Mar)
16. Kupresak (St.A)	Brimmer (B.H)
15. Gilder (North)	Campbell (Fawk)
14. Bruns (M.F)	Corvan (Ring)
Higgins (Thom)	Cumming (Ring)
McIntosh (Croy)	Douglas (G.G)
Tuck (West)	Kardamitsis (Oak)
13. Halford (Oak)	Kostrzewa (Mar)
Quigley (G.G)	McGuinness (Thom)
12. Daley (West)	Marsan (Bull)
Davidson (B.H)	Morovic (Heid)
Drakeford (M.F)	Verniers (Ring)
McKinlay (B.H)	Ramos (North)
Ramos (North)	6. Bitsonis (Caul)
Warszaski (Mar)	Cullen (F)
11. Anastasiadis (Heid)	Findlay (Spr)
Banovic (Heid)	Grgic (St.A)
Culina (St.A)	Livingstone (S/vale)
Dougherty (Thom)	Lujic (Bull)
Griffin (Caul)	Nicolaides (Oak)
Innes (Mar)	Sokoluk (M.F)
Luochesi (Heid)	5. Baran (Mar)
Nijholt (Ring)	Brimmer (B.H)
Pianalto (Thom)	Campbell (Fawk)
10. Keenan (S/vale)	Clarke (M.F)
Patiniotis (Heid)	De Bono (Mar)
M. Runje (Croy)	Dobson (Croy)
Walsh (Fawk)	Esposito (West)
9. Janakievski (Thom)	Kelic (St.A)
O'Donnell (G.G)	Rau (S/vale)
Raynes (Heid)	G. Runje (Croy)
Wilson (G.G)	Sant (G.G)
8. Cannell (G.G)	Smolarek (Mar)
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13. Kelic (St.A)	Campbell J. (Croy)
11. Morovic (Heid)	Campbell G. (B.H)
10. Nijholt (Ring)	Cumming (Ring)
9. Goutzioulis (Caul)	Daley (West)
Tuck (West)	Davie (Ring)
8. Warszawski (Mar)	Deligiannis (Caul)
Woodall (North)	Drakeford (M.F)
7. Anastasiadis (Heid)	Findlay (S/vale)
Brimmer (B.H)	Harris (Caul)
Brown (Fawk)	McClelland (G.G)
Carfora (Thom)	Ousalkas (Heid)
McGuinness (Thom)	Przybyla (Mar)
O'Donnell (G.G)	Raynes (Heid)
6. Corvan (Ring)	Troglic (Bull)
French (Croy)	Tsangos (North)
Kopsaftis (West)	Van Egmond (Croy)
Popovski (St.A)	Webster (M.F)
G. Runje (Croy)	2. Aretis (B.H)
Verechia (S/vale)	Cassar (M.F)
Zemunik (Caul)	Constantinou N.
5. Bozikas (Bull)	(North)
Cozzella (Caul)	Dimovski (West)
De Bono (Mar)	Dougherty (Thom)
Duzel (St.A)	Douglas (G.G)
Lujic (Bull)	Gilder (North)
Pappas (Heid)	Halder (Oak)
Quigley (G.G)	Humble (Croy)
Sokoluk (M.F)	Kral (S/vale)
4. Athersych (Thom)	Lipjarski (Mar)
Baran (Mar)	Livingstone (Oak)
Bonk (Mar)	Lucchesi (Heid)
Burto (B.H)	McBride (B.H)
Keenan (S/vale)	Morrey (S/vale)
Lewis (Thom)	Roumpous (West)
Murphy (Oak)	Theodosopoulos
Ramos (North)	(Heid)
3. Alagiozidis	Thodis (North)
Bozic (S/vale)	Tsangos (North)
	Wilson (G.G)

THE ATROCIOUS winter continued to play havoc with the State League fixture list again last week, and the number of postponed games piling up looks like becoming a real headache for the VSF as it strives for a conclusion to this ost controversial season.

Forecasting an outcome to the League is becoming nigh impossible too.

Some clubs are falling so far behind that it must be starting to worry them. Croydon City, for one has now fallen three games behind the pace and Green Gully and Bulleen two each.

It has to be remembered that the players are part-timers and there's a limit to the number of games they can be expected to cram into the closing weeks of the season and still maintain a standard.

In these circumstances, it's a fallacy to talk about the advantage of having games in hand, it's having the points on the board that counts.

If it rains any more this week, it will be a miracle if the Oakleigh versus St Albans game goes ahead on Saturday.

But then, what am I saying?

The fact that games are played at all at Caloola Reserve makes a mockery of any standards the VSF has set in the past regarding minimum ground conditions and if Oakleigh does get relegated, it will be a tragedy for the club, but a relief to the rest of the League.

Come to think of it though, Caloola wet is preferable to Caloola dry. In good weather the ground resembles a battlefield after World War One, trenches and all.

And still on the subject of unfit pitches, will the VSF be holding an enquiry I wonder, into the scandalous way the Heidelberg versus Croydon game was called off two weeks ago?

Why was the game postponed at the behest of a club official who phoned a member of the VSF at her home early on the morning of the match, saying the ground was covered with sheets of water, when it wasn't.

Why didn't the referee inspect the ground?

People turning up for the game say the pitch was reasonably dry and perfectly playable, and they were amazed to learn the game was off.

By last Sunday, when Juventus played Preston, it was obvious the ground had recovered remarkably in the previous seven days.

With Heidelberg picking up two valuable points from its trip to the Valley, StAlbans coach

Tony Vrzina won't relish the possibility of Saturday's game being called off... he'll want to keep in touch with the leader.

THAT win by Heidelberg probably prevented another confrontation between beleaguered coach Terry Hennessy and his fuming president Lew Yoannidis over the

my editor last week complaining that we, quote, "polish up some stories", and in the interests of fair play we have published the letter on page two.

Without wanting to buy into any argument Lew has with Les Shorrock, I have to say that I was amused to read that no-one within the club tries to influence the coach on the selection of the team, to quote Lew again.

If that's the case, who was it who made life unbearable for Scott Fraser until he was happy to leave?

isn't true, then the players have got it wrong as well as the wretched Press.

I managed to do it again last week, didn't I?

After all I've said about them, I was guilty of taking Caulfield seriously again.

I can only plead temporary insanity, having been carried away by the previous week's emphatic win over Western Suburbs.

I'll just have to go back to knocking again, and I'll start by saying the Blues have absolutely no hope of beating Green Gully this week.

Furthermore, they can forget about winning the League, in fact after seeing them fritter away the chances on Saturday, I'd go far as to say that they'll be lucky to stay in the top four!

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● Fun in the mud at Oakleigh. How did this ground ever pass for the State League?

INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE ROUND-UP

PRESTON Pythons moved into the Mansfield Bunney League Cup semi-finals by the skin of their teeth, winning 4-3 on penalties against a determined Altona North Tarxien.

The Tarxien ground was again in perfect condition. For most of the match there was bright sunshine, the temperature was cool to warm and only a sometimes gusty cross-wind created any problems at all.

The Pythons moved straight into top gear, dominating the first half with skilful inter-passing and frequent blinding bursts of speed running on to balls played into space.

It was a time for desperate defence by Tarxien, as attack after attack was launched. It was no surprise when, after forcing a series of corners between the 20th and 23rd minutes, Preston Pythons went into the lead.

A corner from the right was fed away into midfield, where Fortunato Carvalho picked up the ball and delivered a pinpoint pass to Bergilio Melo, who hammered the ball past a diving 'keeper.

In their only real forward move in the first half, the Tarxien players were already celebrating the equaliser after a dreadful mixup in the Preston goal area, but to their dismay, somehow the ball was scrambled to safety. The Pythons were still dominating, and Tarxien was becoming more and more frustrated and disorganised under pressure.

After half-time, there was a re-shuffling of positions in the Tarxien line-up, with its players now beginning to take full advantage of their general superiority in weight and height. It was the turn of the Pythons to lose their rhythm. Nevertheless, the Pythons came closest to scoring in the early stages of the second half, when, at the 60th minute a long throw from the right touch line was cleverly nodded on to force a desperate save by Tarxien's Joe Pace.

At the 78th minute, Tarxien's Phillip Smith was given the ball just forward of the half-way line and made a brilliant solo run, swerving two defences on the way, to push home

PRESTON SCRAMBLES INTO SEMI-FINALS

almost enterprising goal.

At the end of 90 minutes, the score was tied up 1-1. The first segment of extra time produced frights at each end. At the fifth minute Smith broke again in a solo run, and seemed certain to score. Preston's Chris Pavli thought otherwise, and brilliantly spread himself to block Smith's shot. From the save, the ball went straight to the other end, where Preston forced a corner, and from the resultant kick only a great leap from Joe Pace stood between Pythons and the lead. At the 12th minute, it was again Tarxien into attack. A blast from the 18-yard line struck the cross-bar and rebounded into play.

The ball was taken on the volley and hammered in again, only to strike the cross-bar a second time. This time, the ball was scrambled to safety. By contrast, the second half of extra time produced very little excitement. So it was down to penalties.

For Tarxien, Robby Rotin struck truly. Antonio Gomez did the same for the Pythons. Vince Robino hit the post. Things looked black for Tarxien, as Vergilio Carvalho walked up to the spot. But his shot was hit a little too softly and Joe Pace dived far enough to palm it around the post. Vince Pace and Armialio Carvalho shot truly. Then Tarxien's Frank Pace took his shot. Chris Pavli dived brilliantly and blocked it, but was ruled to have moved before the shot was taken. Unfortunately for Pace, he blasted the re-take high and wide. Vergilio Melo shot true to give the Pythons the lead. Phillip Smith and Fortunato Carvalho both made sure of their attempts, leaving Preston Pythons 4-3 winners after a most enthralling match.

At Middle Park, a first half played mainly in midfield as the two sides felt one another out ended with honours even. Peter Warrenner had scored for the Parkers at the seventh minute, with Wayne Brown netting the equaliser for Hampton Park five minutes later. The action hotted up in the second half, with both

sides launching a series of breakaway moves. While there were plenty of chances at either end, the scorers were not troubled until the 84th minute, when Peter Dwyer put Middle Park back into the lead.

Hampton Park spent the last six minutes in almost constant attack, with first Robert Black, and then Ian Mullard, having good opportunities to force the match to extra time, but both hammered their shots well over the bar, giving Middle Park a 2-1 entry into the semi-finals.

Out at Bayswater, meanwhile, Fibremakers United had accounted for Altona Heights, also by a 2-1 margin. While the Altona Heights players displayed the better footballing skills, they became bogged down, literally, in the very heavy Fibremakers' pitch, and were unable to capitalise on their skills.

The afternoon game was an absolute game. Division 3A leaders, Windsor, were up against the runaway kings of Division 3 East, Dallas United. In the event, Windsor took better advantage of the chances which came their way, with goals by Sammy Ioannidis, Chris Katirigloglu and George Polychronakis. For Dallas, the lone scorer was Angie Korculanin.

Dallas United was far from disgraced in this encounter. Whistleman, Mr Ron Dixon, described the match as one of the best quality games he had seen, and certainly one of the most enjoyable to referee.

The only surprises in the Mansfield Bunney Invitation Cup semi-finals were the clear-cut margins involved. Highpoint, which can usually be relied on to give a good Warrenner account of itself, started this match in a tetchy frame of mind which worsened as time went on.

The inevitable result was that the quality of its football degenerated, so much so that it took a

humiliating 8-0 hammering from Glenroy Doxa United. For the victors, Joe Gambin (4), Louis Goulder (3) and George Magri were the sharpshooters.

In the other semi-final, Middle Park took on the Apollo United challenge. Out-gunned in most departments, Apollo United simply defended far better than the Parkers and converted three of the four real chances which came its way. Middle Park, on the other hand, despite having the majority of possessions, broke down

sadly up front; its five or six good chances to score all going begging.

Nevertheless, this too was an entertaining match, and nicely rounded out the day's adventures at the ANZ Bank Soccer Club's facility. For the winners, Apollo United, Stan Longinidis netted twice, with Chris Kazantzidis knocking in the other.

In the catch-up matches played, the cat was well and truly put amongst the pigeons in Division 2A.

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ALL THE DETAILS

MANSFIELD BUNNEY LEAGUE CUP QUARTER FINALS

Middle Park 2 Hampton Park United 1
Fibremakers Utd 2 Altona Heights 1
Windsor 3 Dallas United 1
Alt Nth Tarxien Preston Pythons 1
1 aet 1 pen 3 aet 1 pen 4

MANSFIELD BUNNEY INVITATION CUP SEMI-FINALS

Glenroy Doxa Utd 8 Highpoint 0
Middle Park 0 Apollo United 3

OUTSTANDING MATCHES Division Two Morning (Reserves in brackets)

St Bernards O.C. 0 Montrose 7
Youth United 1 Springvale Eagles 1 (1-4)

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Fibre	12	8	3	1	42	15 19
th Utd	12	7	3	2	42	25 17
Mont	12	6	4	2	33	18 16
loom	12	7	1	4	35	17 15
fcote	12	5	3	4	32	24 13
val E	12	4	4	4	29	28 12
W.Fry	12	3	3	6	16	37 9
gs Pk	12	4	0	8	19	26 8
burn	12	2	3	7	24	33 7
Bern	12	1	2	9	12	61 4

Reserves							
bre	12	11	1	0	31	11	23
burn	12	8	3	1	40	9	19
val E	12	8	2	2	39	13	18
oom S	12	6	0	6	30	25	12
Fry	12	5	2	5	19	25	12
cote	12	3	2	7	23	35	8
Pk	12	3	2	7	22	40	8
rase	11	3	1	7	28	21	7
h Ud	12	3	1	8	17	34	7
Bern	11	2	0	9	16	52	4

Division Two Afternoon

Nth Dandenong Spw's 2 Flamingo 0
Berwick United 4 C.S.U.V. 0
(3-1)
Rowville United 2 Dandy Dynamo 5

Dandy	12	8	2	2	31	13	18
Flam	12	6	2	4	33	17	14
Thom	12	6	2	4	28	17	14
Dand Sp	12	3	4	5	22	28	10
P'ton	11	3	3	5	29	22	9
CSUV	12	3	2	7	7	39	8
B'wick	12	2	1	9	21	47	5
Dand U	11	1	0	10	12	49	2

Reserves							
Dand	12	10	1	1	39	16	21
Rville	12	9	2	1	59	10	18
Fiam	12	8	2	2	54	20	18
Wind	12	6	2	4	42	28	14
Dand	12	6	2	4	22	24	14
T'own	12	4	0	8	17	32	8
P'ton	11	3	2	6	20	38	8
CSUV	12	3	2	7	14	35	8
Dand	11	1	2	8	18	44	4
B'wick	12	1	1	10	17	55	3

Division Three East

Keeley Kings 3 Laminex 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Dallas	12	12	0	0	64	16	24
Keel	12	8	0	4	34	11	16
E'don	12	6	3	3	48	37	15
Garden	12	6	2	4	26	25	14
B'water	12	4	4	4	26	29	12
Lamin	12	4	3	5	29	26	11
Tax Utd	12	3	4	5	22	32	10
Ferris	12	4	2	6	26	44	10
Oak Cy	12	3	3	6	16	32	5
Kew D	12	1	1	10	13	52	3

Division Three West

Tottenham 4 Nippondenso 0
North Cross St Helena 5 Cieswick 1
Town 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
ott	12	10	2	0	41	9	22
Alb	12	9	2	1	27	7	20
Hts	11	9	0	2	36	14	18
ellor	11	6	2	3	15	16	14
thX-St	12	6	1	5	38	30	13
Tanxr	11	4	3	4	14	9	11
sea	12	2	3	7	17	31	7
bury	11	2	0	9	7	31	4
pp	12	2	0	10	16	41	4
wick	12	1	1	10	19	42	3

Division Four

Salesian College Old Boys 0 RAAF College 0

AAF	11	8	1	2	41	13	17
Sales	12	6	3	3	24	21	15
on T	12	5	0	7	16	37	10
PIPA	12	3	1	8	8	22	7
	12	1	0	11	30	43	2

VICTORIAN LEAGUE Division One

Mordialloc 1 Nunawading City 1

MORDIALLOC: D. Gilbert, P. Karavasic, G. Stamatavos, N. Papatzikas, C. Anastasiadis, C. Gonsalves, G. Politis, P. Vardaxis, B. Auld, C. Retre, J. Morgiro.

NUNAWADING: G. Sullivan, C. Calafiore, M. Karak, C. Servinis, C. Barker, P. Chiaravalle, A. Christidis, A. Pahljina, D. Azzopardi, I. Greener, K. Taylor.

NUNAWADING had early chances as both Christidis and Chiaravalle shot wide. Spurred by those let offs, Mordialloc pressed forward and Vardaxis went close with a curling shot and Auld's overhead shot was well saved by Sullivan.

Nunawading's best chance came when

Pahljina got free on the right and sent over a beautiful cross to the far post where Greener headed narrowly over. In the 35th lax marking at the back allowed Retre a free header from a free kick and he made no mistake.

After the interval, Mordialloc tried to catch Nunawading on the counter attack and Sullivan had to be in fine form, producing one magnificent save from Morgiro. At the other end, Gilbert did likewise from Chiaravalle.

In the 76th minute a speculative shot from 35 metres by Calafiore deceived Gilbert and found the top corner of the net, and shortly after Servinis just failed by

centimetres to connect with a Taylor free kick.

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE Division One

Ballarat 0 Diamond Valley Utd 2

BALLARAT: Romein, Dussan, McLauchlan, Armstrong, McNeight, Carrabot, McLinden, Baldock, Kennedy, Glare, Horvatek, Gunn, Ravencroft.

VALLEY: Hamilton, Drapper, Love, Kerr, Litchfield, B. Coyle, Dallas, Tucker, K. Coyle, Smith, Kelly, Crompton, McLean.

DIAMOND Valley United continued on their way to promotion with a

hard-fought win over a resolute Ballarat.

Although it was one-way traffic United couldn't find a way through a very disciplined seven-man defence and were scoreless at the break.

Coach Ollie Norris brought on Andy Crompton and his strong running and power in the air unsettled the home defence. United went 1-0 ahead when, from a free kick, McLean headed the ball back across the goal and Keiron Coyle, at the back post, nodded it home. Shortly after Crompton won the ball in midfield and sent Keiron Coyle clear on the right wing and his cross was volleyed home by

Crompton, the player who started the move.

United set siege to the Ballarat goal but, for the second week running, luck was not on their side in front of goal. Brian Coyle and Tucker both hit the crossbar and Keiron Coyle beat the keeper only to see the ball run past the post.

Best for United were Tucker, Kerr and Hamilton. United Reserves lost 2-0 and this opens up the league as there are three teams in the running for the championship.

The United team and supporters fully appreciated the hospitality shown by Ballarat after the game, a great effort by a fine club.

DIVISION THREE University of Melbourne 2 South Dandenong 1

UNIVERSITY: S. Veitch, J. Kraszlan, R. Hall, R. Hair, Y.H. Tan, T. Neales, M. Symmons, N. Huston, H. Gill, T. Jovanoski, A. Brown. (Neales-62 min., Brown-73 min.).

SOUTH DANDENONG: V. Ajrovski, R. Lumani, H. Fasal, H. Schaffer, M. Jusic, J. Elmazovski, S. Fus, S. Memedovski, S. Elmazovski, S. Yildirim, H. Sepetci. (J. Elmazovski-23 min.).

TERRITORIALY in control for most of the game, South Dandenong let the points slip in a

match it should have won comfortably.

Left winger Sepetci, a match winner on other occasions, persisted in waging a lone crusade against the University defence and was thus ably shackled for most of the time.

A more constructive approach in this department plus the seizing of countless chances created by the visitors should have sealed the game in its favour long before University made telling blows.

All three goals were of top class. Jim Elmazovski's firm header was carbon copied by Neales in the second half and Brown's winner struck the underside of the crossbar before finding the net. A vital two points won and lost by teams at the business end of the league ladder.

season would be some sort of a record, even for Australia.

TALKING of coaches coming back, Roy McLaren returns from the UK tomorrow, no doubt wondering whether he'll be taking up the reins again at Northcote.

Since that nonsense at Box Hill, when the club president tried to stop the game at half-time, Northcote has picked up just one point and looks to be in dire need of leadership, but the Northcote players tell me that McLaren was sacked the week after he left, in absentia, so to speak.

It's a funny way to run a club, but then whoever said logic had anything to do with it.

If it had, you wouldn't get committeemen telling a player like Martin Woodall to lift his game or he'd be out.

I don't know how much more Northcote could expect from Woodall, it's best player.

If you think that is a sweeping statement, just have a look at the Ansett voting, and you'll see Woodall is lying joint fourth in that award and with eight goals is the club's leading goalscorer.

Northcote faces a tough one on Sunday, against high-riding Thomastown which dropped another point last week to Box Hill.

Thomastown has picked up only three points from its last four games and will be anxious to get back on the winning trail.

This is without doubt the match of the round, if the weather is kind, but more rain has been tipped

for the weekend, so it doesn't sound promising.

There could be another close encounter at Raleigh Reserve, Maribyrnong, where Morwell Falcons are the visitors.

Bob McLachlan was disappointed that his team didn't get a point last week out of a cracking game with Heidelberg, and he'll be desperate to do better this week.

Falcons are midway up the table, but are by no means safe, only three points from third bottom, and no matches in hand. Box Hill and Croydon City, two teams of a similar stamp, meet at Wembley Park and that could be very close.

If Croydon wins, it will be in a position to put pressure on the top four with games in hand on Thomastown.

Ringwood City has been hoisting itself out of Reilly's cellar week by week and point by point, and is a big strong side that can cope with the present pitches.

On Sunday it takes on Springvale City at home and should win, provided it can shackle Vale's tricky Steve Keenan.

This weekend's games, with probably winners in capitals:

SATURDAY: Oakleigh v ST ALBANS at Caloola Reserve.

SUNDAY: GREEN GULLY v Caulfield City at Gully Reserve, HEIDELBERG v Bulleen at Olympic Village, Maribyrnong v Morwell Falcons (draw) at Raleigh Reserve, RINGWOOD CITY v Springvale City at Jubilee Park, FAWKNER v Western Suburbs at Smith Reserve, Box Hill v Croydon City (draw) at Wembley Park, Northcote City v THOMASTOWN at John Cain Reserve.

HOW YOUR TEAM FARED

BRIAN JAMES

Cont From P. 9

(I) That should just about do the trick... I'll be lucky if they let me in the gate again.

Caulfield will be struggling anyway, because this week they lost the greatest of clubmen, Dave Brooks aka Mick Hucknall, who is going back for the snow season in Bury.

He says he's going for good, but he's forgotten what Lancashire's like in the winter and under Thatcher... welcome back Dave any time.

The Caulfield reserves in particular are going to miss Dave and his through balls.

I WONDER if Rocky Tachiris would like to bet me another bottle of champagne after Wests' good win

INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE

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with both results going against recent form. Dandy Dynamo, which had been finding difficulty in getting the ball into the net, suddenly found its shooting boots and knocked in five goals to Rowville's two. Meanwhile, North Dandenong Sparrows, which had been having a run of outs, returned to form and knocked off the highly fancied Flamingo 2-0.

As a result, Windsor was handed a two-point break at the top of the ladder from Rowville and Dandy Dynamo.

over Oakleigh?

You can make it a crate, if you like Rocky... no, I'll go one better.

If you win at Fawkner this week, I'll give you a bottle of champers, and not a cheap Safeway's special either.

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Brisbane Lions
Melb. Croatia v
Brunswick Juventus
Adelaide City v
South Melbourne
Wollongong v
Sydney Croatia
STATE LEAGUE
ROUND 23
Saturday 6th

Oakleigh v
St Albans
Sunday August 7th
Green Gully v
Caulfield City
Heidelberg United v
Bulleen
Maribyrnong v
Morwell Falcons
Ringwood City c
Springvale City
Fawkner v
Western Subs
Box Hill v
Croydon City
Northcote City v
Thomastown

VICTORIAN
LEAGUE
DIVISION ONE
Saturday August 6th
Nunawading v
Nunawading City v
Sunbury United
Altona Gate v
Westgate
Essendon City v
Knox City
Mooroolbark v
Mordialloc
Sunday August 7th
Richmond v
Werribee
Frankston Pines v
Dandenong
Broadmeadows City v
Albion

DIVISION TWO
Saturday August 6th
Prahr/Brighton v
Ringwood
Port Melbourne v
Sandringham City
Doveton v
Heidelberg City
Doncaster Rovers v
North Geelong
Yarraville v
Waverley City
Keilor v
Altona City
Eltham v
Clifton Hill

DIVISION THREE
Saturday August 6th
Yallourn v
Geelong
Moreland Pk Rgs v
Mornington
Corio/Geelong v
Seaford
Clarinda v
Springvale United
Morabbin City v
Bell Park

Lalor United v
Coburg
Hamlyn Rangers v
Hawthorn
DIVISION FOUR
Saturday August 6th
Rosanna v
Langwarrin
Holland Park v
Bentleigh Greens
Pascoe Vale v
Boronia
Keysborough v
Chelsea
Williamstown v
East Bruns/Ivan
Karingal United v
Fernree Gully

PROVISIONAL
LEAGUE
DIVISION ONE
Saturday August 6th
Brunswick City v
Prahran
Mossfield v
Regent
North Sunshine v
West Meadows
Melton v
Ardeer
Malvern City v
Ballarat

DIVISION TWO
Saturday August 6th
Monbulk v
Oakleigh Subs
Monash University v
Springvale Condors
Lalor v
South Yarra
Cranbourne v
Wav/Mulgrave Utd
Glenroy v
Berwick City
East Geelong v
Ascot Vale City
Dingley/Skye v
Batman Utd

DIVISION THREE
Saturday 6th
Ringwood Rovers v
St Kilda
Port United v
South Springvale
Parkmore v
Uni of Melb
Carrum United v
Wantima
South Dandenong v
Forest Hill
Meadow Park v
Ascot St Marks
Kensington United v
Brintons

DIVISION FOUR
Saturday August 6th
Riversdale v
Brandon Park
Northern United v
Debnay Park
Lyndale United v
Kew Eagles

AMATEUR LEAGUE
DIVISION ONE
Sunday August 7th
Balwyn City v
Collingwood City
Anstey United v
Diggers Rest
Phillip Institute v
Bye
Northern Suburbs v
Endeavour Hills

Melbourne University v
Waverley Wanderers
Latrobe University v
Hawthorn United
Bye v
Keilor United
DIVISION TWO
Sunday August 7th
East Richmond v
Intercity
Diamond Valley v
Marconi
Concorde v
Oakleigh United
Camberwell Grammar v
Furlan United
Upfield v
Old Scotch
Yarra United v
R.M.I.T.

INDUSTRIAL
LEAGUE
August 7th
DIVISION ONE
Firsts 10am
Reserves 12.00pm
ANZ Bank v
St Albans Dynamo
Apollo United v
Footscray United

Seven yellow cards
were handed out. They
went to Dale White,
Anthony Grbac, Joe
Biskic and Robbie Dunn
(Croatia) and to Jean Paul
de Marigny, Alex
Bundalo and Hilton
Phillips (Apia).

Melbourne Croatia
coach Ian Wallace con-
ceded that the Davidson
send off was correct after
Davidson had appeared to
retaliated with a wild
punch.

"I've already been fined
\$1500 for criticising a
referee, and I will not
comment on Mr Owens,"
Wallace said.

Apia scored in the 18th
minute when Rod Brown
converted from a left-wing
corner after two de-
fenders had unsuccess-
fully lashed out to clear a
bouncing ball.

The rest of the half was
scoreless although
Croatia winger Joe Caleta
beat three defenders in a
sizzling run, with Apia
goalkeeper Tony Pezzano
finally cutting out a shot
from White.

A towering header from
Croatia's Socceroo de-
fender Dunn evened the
score in the 70th minute.

After that, it was mostly
downhill for Croatia.

Austin Airlines v
Highpoint
Glenroy Doxa Utd v
Altona Ilinden
Middle Park v
Hampton Park Utd

DIVISION TWO
Morning
Firsts 10 am
Reserves 12 pm
Kings Pk Heights v
Fibremakers
Montrose v
Youth United
S'vale Eagles v
Coomoora Spiders
St Bernards O.C. v
W. Footscray Larian
Swinburne v
Northcote Utd

DIVISION TWO
Afternoon
Reserves 1 pm
Firsts 3 pm
Berwick United v
Thomastown Utd
Dandy Dynamo v
C.S.U.V.

CROATIA SUFFERS

De Marigny, snapped
in an 84th minute goal for
Apia after Phillips, Burim
Zajmi and Phillips again
had broken the Croatian

defence along the right.
Then, three minutes
into injury time, Phillips
struck again for their third
and final goal.

OLYMPIC MISSES CHANCES

SYDNEY OLYMPIC O
MARCONI O

Sydney Olympic may
regret the chances it failed
to convert after a torrid
scoreless draw against
Marconi at St George
Stadium.

Olympic's hopes of
making the top five
playoffs will now depend
on its last round clash
against George Cross on
Saturday night.

Olympic and George
Cross are on equal points
but Sunshine had a
deferred match, against
Melbourne Croatia.

"We couldn't get a
break in front of goals and
should have twice put the
ball away in the first half",
Olympic coach
Eddie Thomson said.

"One goal would have
won it and we needed that
win."

The match started in
confusion with a change
of referees and the non-
arrival of Marconi
stopper Tony Henderson
which forced coach Berti
Mariani into last-minute
changes.

Tom McCulloch, who

Flamingo v
Windsor
N. D'ong Sparrows v
Dandenong Utd
Preston Pythons v
Rowville United

DIVISION THREE
East
10 am
Essendon Tramway v
LamIneX
Laminex
Ferris Utd v
Keeley KinGs

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Garden City v
Oakleigh City
Kew Deaf v
Bowater
Taxation United v
Dallas United

DIVISION THREE
West
10 am
Altona Heights v
Nippondenso
Creswick Town v
Sunbury
Nth Altona Tarxien v
Keilor Old Boys

DIVISION FOUR
10 am
Preston Tramways v
Flemington Florida
RAAF College v
Salesian College O.B.
Westall P.I.P.A. v
Embassy Taxis

KNOX LOTTO • Continued From P. 10
KNOX Lotto
continued its run of
outs in round eight
of the Colossus Oil
indoor soccer State
League.

Despite scoring four
goals, Knox went down
to Geelong Strikers, who
managed half a dozen.
THOMASTOWN CRUSHERS 2
CORIO CATS 2

Thomastown and
Corio fought tooth and
nail with neither side
being able to gain
ascendancy. The
Crushers completely
over-ran Corio in the first
half but could not score
mainly due to very poor
finishing.

The second half saw
Corio take a surprise lead
when Josip Karinovic
slipped the ball under
Dino Speziale.

Crushers replied
almost immediately as
Steve Hackett volleyed a
throw-in. Corio again
took the lead through
Markinovic only for Ivan
Fujto to equalise and
save the game for the
Crushers.

Marconi almost stole
the game in the opening
minutes. McCulloch
chipped a free kick into
the penalty area where
socceroo striker Frank
Farina pounced on to the
ball but was blocked by a
great tackle from Mike
Coady.

Another McCulloch
shot, a header by Fred de
Jong and a missed attempt
by Vince Colaguri
punctuated the half but the
best attempt came through
Gerry Gomez in the 39th
minute when he was
metres from the goal only
to be robbed by a superb
tackle from Robert
Ironsides.

Ironsides sent a long
pass to Terry Patalis
whose square cross went

behind a sliding John
Kosmina with Jason
Polak punting the ball
over the fence.

Marconi hammered the
Olympic defence early in
the second half with four
corners until McCulloch
put the ball behind.

Four chances to
Olympic in a seven-
minute spell almost
brought the goal they
needed with Polak,
Ironsides twice and Patalis
unsuccessful before
keeper Clint Gosling
made his second match
save in turning a Farina
drive for a corner.

Six minutes from time,
Polak slanted a long cross
into the penalty area
where singer Grant Lee
was left with an open goal
but took his eyes off the
ball and headed wide.

Mariani said neither
team had dominated the
game but he was worried
about Marconi's style.

"I'm concerned that we
allowed Olympic to
dictate the play so much
and we must expand on
the times we got out game
together," he said.

● ● ●

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	G/D	Pts
Res. Grasshoppers	8	8	0	0	39	18	21	24
Geelong Strikers	8	5	0	3	42	22	20	18
Thomastown Crushers	8	4	0	3	33	27	6	17
Corio Cats	8	3	1	4	24	32	-4	15
Bayswater Cinzano	8	3	0	5	46	41	5	14
Knox Lotto	8	0	0	8	20	64	44	8

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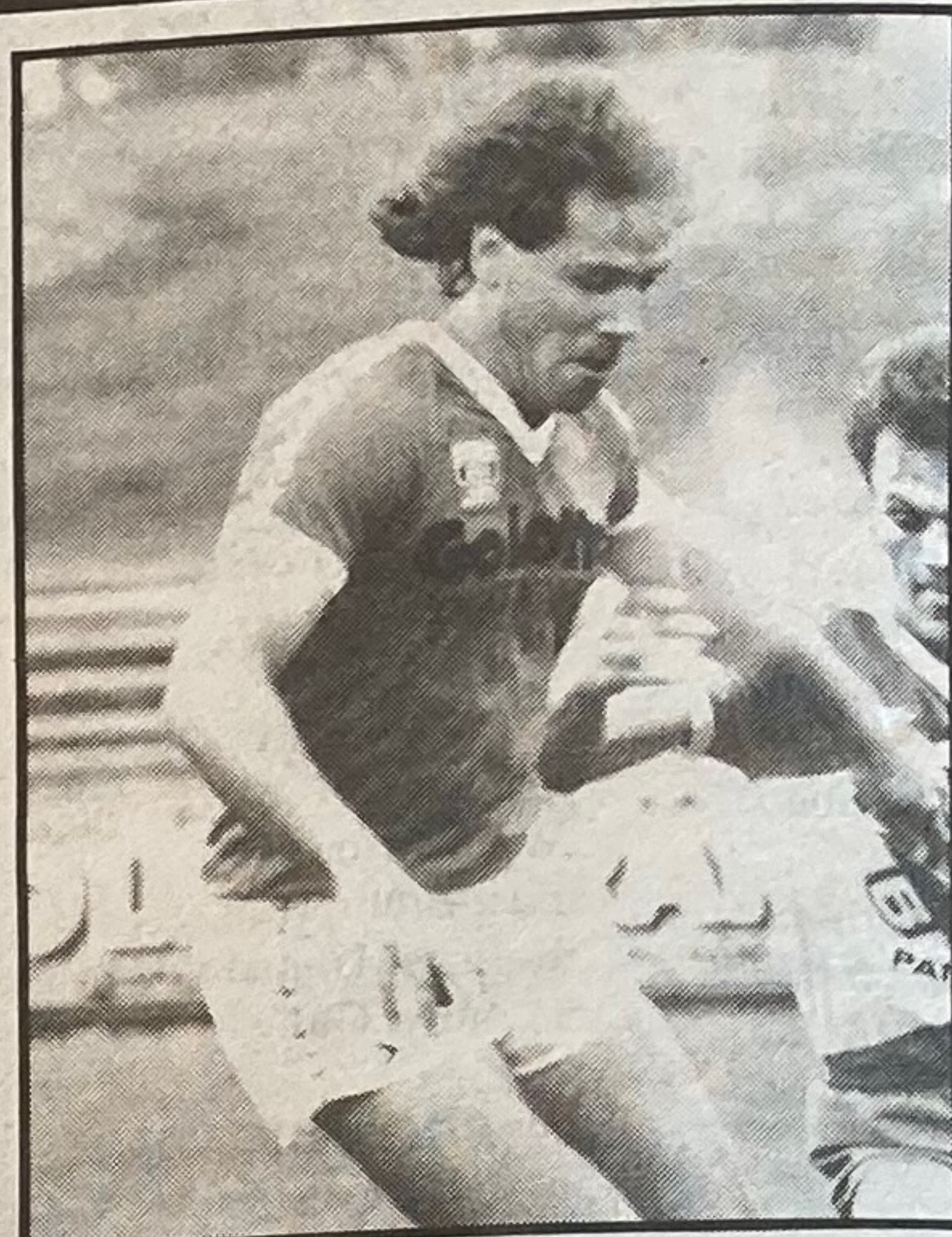


John Stewart

PRESTON MAKEDONIA v ST. GEORGE

CONNOR RESERVE

SUNDAY
K.O. 2.30 PM



Steve O'Connor



Vlado Bozinovski

FOOTSCRAY v BRISBANE LIONS

SCHINTLER RESERVE

SUNDAY
K.O. 2.30 PM



Russell Stewart



Branko Milosevic

MELBOURNE CROATIA v BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS

OLYMPIC PARK

SUNDAY
K.O. 2.30 PM



Garry McDowall

SYDNEY OLYMPIC v SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS
SYDNEY FOOTBALL STADIUM SATURDAY K.O. 7.30PM

MARCONI v APIA LEIGHARDT
MARCONI STADIUM SUNDAY K.O. 2.30 PM

ADELAIDE CITY v SOUTH MELBOURNE
OLYMPIC SPORTSFIELD SUNDAY K.O. 2.30PM

WOLLONGONG v SYDNEY CROATIA
BRANDON PARK SUNDAY K.O. 2.30PM